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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Notice of Lodging of Consent Decree Under the Clean Air Act and the Emergency Planning and Community Right-To-Know Act

In accordance with Departmental policy, 28 CFR 50.7, notice is hereby given that on December 28, 2001, a proposed consent decree in *United States v. Texaco Exploration and Production Inc. and Envirotech Inc.*, Case No. 2:01 CV-1050 ST, was lodged with the United States District Court for the District of Utah.

This consent decree represents a settlement of claims brought against Texaco Exploration and Production Inc. ("Texaco") and Envirotech Inc. under section 113(b) of the Clean Air Act ("the CAA"), 42 U.S.C. 7413(b), and section 325(b)(3) of the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act ("EPCRA"), 42 U.S.C. 11045(b)(3), in a civil complaint filed concurrently with the lodging of the consent decree. The complaint alleges that Texaco violated the CAA and the New Source Performance Standards, 40 CFR part 60, subparts A and KKK, at its Aneth gas plant by failing to monitor its equipment for VOC leaks, maintain records, submit reports, test its flare, and use a thermocouple to monitor its flare's pilot flame. The complaint also alleges that Texaco and Envirotech violated the CAA and the National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for asbestos, 40 CFR part 61, subpart M, during the removal and disposal of asbestos-containing material at the Aneth gas plant. Finally, the complaint alleges that Texaco violated section 304 of EPCRA, 42 U.S.C. 11004, by twice failing to report the release of more than 500 pounds of sulfur dioxide from its oil and gas production field in Aneth, Utah.

Under the proposed settlement, Texaco will submit a certification that its affected facility is now in compliance with the monitoring, recordkeeping, and reporting requirements of 40 CFR part 60, subpart KKK. In addition, Texaco will pay a civil penalty of \$243,725 and provide up to \$51,275 in emergency response equipment and hazardous materials training to a local fire department in Montezuma Creek, Utah, as a supplemental environmental project. Envirotech will pay a civil penalty of \$10,000.

The Department of Justice will receive comments relating to the proposed consent decree for a period of thirty (30) days from the date of this publication. As a result of the discovery of anthrax contamination at the District of Columbia mail processing center in mid-October, 2001, the delivery of regular first-class mail sent through the U.S. Postal Service has been disrupted. Consequently, public comments that are addressed to the Department of Justice in Washington, DC and sent by regular, first-class mail through the U.S. Postal Service are not expected to be received in a timely manner. Therefore, comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General, Environment and Natural Resources Division, U.S. Department of Justice, and sent: (1) C/o Robert D. Mullaney, U.S. Department of Justice, 301 Howard St., Suite 1050, San Francisco, CA 94105; and/or (2) by facsimile to (202) 353-0296; and/or (3) by overnight delivery, other than through the U.S. Postal Service, to Chief, Environmental Enforcement Section, 1425 New York Avenue, NW., 13th Floor, Washington, DC 20005. Each communication should refer on its face to *United States v. Texaco Exploration and Production Inc. and Envirotech Inc.*, DOJ Ref. 90-5-2-1-06466.

The proposed consent decree may be examined at the Office of the United States Attorney, 185 South State Street, Suite 400, Salt Lake City, Utah 84111, and at the Region IX Office of the Environmental Protection Agency, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA 94105. A copy of the proposed Consent Decree may also be obtained by faxing a request to Tonia Fleetwood, Department of Justice Consent Decree Library, fax no. (202) 616-6584; phone confirmation no. (202) 514-1547. There is a charge for the copy (25 cent per page reproduction cost). Upon requesting a copy, please mail a check payable to the "U.S. Treasury," in the amount of \$6.75 to: Consent Decree Library, U.S. Department of Justice, P.O. Box 7611, Washington, DC 20044-7611. The check should refer to *United States*

v. Texaco Exploration and Production Inc. and Envirotech Inc., DOJ Ref. 90-5-2-1-06466.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket Nos. 50-275 and 50-323]

Pacific Gas and Electric Company, Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant, Unit Nos. 1 and 2; Notice of Consideration of Approval of Transfer of Facility Operating Licenses and Conforming Amendments and Opportunity for a Hearing

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) is considering the issuance of an order under 10 CFR 50.80 approving the transfer of Facility Operating Licenses Nos. DPR-80 and DPR-82, for the Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant, Unit Nos. 1 and 2 (Diablo Canyon) currently held by Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E), as owner and licensed operator of Diablo Canyon. The Commission is also considering amending the licenses for administrative purposes to reflect the proposed transfer, and amending the antitrust conditions in licenses as discussed below.

According to an application for approval filed by PG&E, the transfer of the licenses would be to a new generating company named Electric Generation LLC (Gen), which would operate the facility, and to a new wholly-owned subsidiary of Gen named Diablo Canyon LLC (Nuclear), which would hold title to Diablo Canyon and lease it to Gen. PG&E is requesting approval of these transfers in connection with a comprehensive Plan of Reorganization (Plan) for PG&E filed under Chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code.

No physical changes to Diablo Canyon or operational changes are being proposed in the application.

The proposed conforming administrative amendments generally would replace references to PG&E in the licenses with references to Gen and Nuclear, as appropriate, to reflect the proposed transfer. With specific regard to the antitrust conditions in the licenses, the application proposes changes such that Gen will be inserted in the conditions and thus become

subject to complying with them, and E Trans LLC, a new company that will be affiliated with Gen upon implementation of the Plan and that will acquire the electric transmission assets of PG&E but not have any interest in Diablo Canyon, will be also be inserted in the conditions and thus become subject to complying with them. In addition, the application proposes that PG&E will remain designated in the conditions for the limited purpose of compliance with the conditions, notwithstanding the divesting of its interest in Diablo Canyon, while Nuclear will not be named in the conditions.

Notwithstanding the proposed changes to the antitrust conditions proffered as part of the amendments to conform the licenses to reflect their transfer from PG&E to Gen and Nuclear, the Commission is considering specifically whether to approve either all of the proposed changes to the conditions, or only some, but not all, of the proposed changes, as may be appropriate and consistent with the Commission's decision in *Kansas Gas and Electric Co., et al. (Wolf Creek Generating Station, Unit 1)*, CLI-99-19, 49 NRC 441, 466 (1999). In particular, the Commission is considering approving only those changes that would accurately reflect Gen and Nuclear as the only proposed entities to operate and own Diablo Canyon.

Pursuant to 10 CFR 50.80, no license, or any right thereunder, shall be transferred, directly or indirectly, through transfer of control of the license, unless the Commission shall give its consent in writing. The Commission will approve an application for the transfer of a license if the Commission determines that the proposed transferee is qualified to hold the license, and that the transfer is otherwise consistent with applicable provisions of law, regulations, and orders issued by the Commission pursuant thereto.

Before issuance of conforming license amendments, the Commission will have made findings required by the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's regulations.

As provided in 10 CFR 2.1315, unless otherwise determined by the Commission with regard to a specific application, the Commission has determined that any amendment to the license of a utilization facility which does no more than conform the license to reflect the transfer action involves no significant hazards consideration. No contrary determination has been made with respect to this specific license amendment application. In light of the

generic determination reflected in 10 CFR 2.1315, no public comments with respect to significant hazards considerations are being solicited, notwithstanding the general comment procedures contained in 10 CFR 50.91.

The filing of requests for hearing and petitions for leave to intervene, and written comments with regard to the license transfer application, are discussed below.

By February 6, 2002, any person whose interest may be affected by the Commission's action on the application may request a hearing and, if not the applicant, may petition for leave to intervene in a hearing proceeding on the Commission's action. Requests for a hearing and petitions for leave to intervene should be filed in accordance with the Commission's rules of practice set forth in Subpart M, "Public Notification, Availability of Documents and Records, Hearing Requests and Procedures for Hearings on License Transfer Applications," of 10 CFR Part 2. In particular, such requests and petitions must comply with the requirements set forth in 10 CFR 2.1306, and should address the considerations contained in 10 CFR 2.1308(a). Untimely requests and petitions may be denied, as provided in 10 CFR 2.1308(b), unless good cause for failure to file on time is established. In addition, an untimely request or petition should address the factors that the Commission will also consider, in reviewing untimely requests or petitions, set forth in 10 CFR 2.1308(b)(1)-(2).

Requests for a hearing and petitions for leave to intervene should be served upon Richard F. Locke, Esq., Pacific Gas and Electric Company, 77 Beale Street, B30A, San Francisco, California 94105 (e-mail address rfl6@pge.com), and to David A. Repka, Esq., Winston & Strawn, 1400 L Street, NW., Washington, DC 20005 (e-mail address drepka@winston.com); the General Counsel, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555 (e-mail address for filings regarding license transfer cases only: ogclt@nrc.gov); and the Secretary of the Commission, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, Attention: Rulemakings and Adjudications Staff, in accordance with 10 CFR 2.1313.

The Commission will issue a notice or order granting or denying a hearing request or intervention petition, designating the issues for any hearing that will be held and designating the Presiding Officer. A notice granting a hearing will be published in the **Federal Register** and served on the parties to the hearing.

As an alternative to requests for hearing and petitions to intervene, by February 19, 2002, persons may submit written comments regarding the license transfer application, as provided for in 10 CFR 2.1305. The Commission will consider and, if appropriate, respond to these comments, but such comments will not otherwise constitute part of the decisional record. Comments should be submitted to the Secretary, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, Attention: Rulemakings and Adjudications Staff, and should cite the publication date and page number of this **Federal Register** notice.

Further details with respect to this action, see the application dated November 30, 2001, available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, located at One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike (first floor), Rockville, Maryland. Publicly available records will be accessible electronically from the Agencywide Documents Access and Management Systems (ADAMS) Public Electronic Reading Room on the internet at the NRC Web site, <http://www.nrc.gov/ADAMS/index.html>. Persons who do not have access to ADAMS or who encounter problems in accessing the documents located in ADAMS, should contact the NRC Public Document Room (PDR) Reference staff by telephone at 1-800-397-4209, 301-415-4737 or by email to pdr@nrc.gov.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland this 10th day of January 2002.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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SENTENCING COMMISSION

Sentencing Guidelines for United States Courts

AGENCY: United States Sentencing Commission.

ACTION: Notice of proposed amendments to sentencing guidelines, policy statements, and commentary. Request for public comment. Notice of public hearing.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 994(a), (o), and (p) of title 28, United States Code, the Commission is considering promulgating certain amendments to the sentencing guidelines, policy statements, and commentary. This notice sets forth the proposed